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First Named Applicant: Khanna)	Art Unit: 2652
Serial No.: 10/661,273)	Examiner: Renner
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LIMITING SHOCK DAMAGE TO HARD DISK DRIVE DURING OPERATION)	July 22, 2005 750 B STREET, Suite 3120 San Diego, CA 92101
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

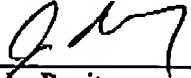
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 19, 2005, Applicant elects species 1, figure 1, on which Claims 1, 3-7, 9-15, and 17-23 read.

Having now admitted on the record that the structure shown in Figure 1 is patentably distinct from the structure shown in Figures 2 and 3, the examiner is estopped from levying any rejections based on structures in references like those shown in Figures 2 and 3, regardless of the rather unusual reasoning given for the restriction requirement (that Applicant cited a section of the MPEP advising against cumulative rejections).

Respectfully submitted,


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